

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A fluid ~~Fluid~~ container ~~(10)~~ for storage of fluids, wherein the fluid container ~~(10)~~ is made of thermoplastic materials and fibre composite materials having a low electrical conductivity and wherein the fluid container ~~(10)~~, at its upper end, is provided with a valve ~~means~~ ~~(18)~~ forming a part of the fluid container ~~(10)~~; through which fluid filling and discharging occur, and wherein the fluid container ~~(10)~~ is provided with means for hindering build-up of preventing electrostatic charge[[s]] during filling operations, ~~characterized in that means for reducing and/or preventing build-up of electrical and/or electrostatic potential on the interior wall of the container (10) during filling of the container (10) is said means~~ arranged as an integral part of the upper end of the container ~~(10)~~ wall in association with the valve ~~means~~ ~~(18)~~; said means substantially reducing the fluid velocity and/or changing the direction of the fluid flow during filling.
2. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 1, wherein a collar or a cavity ~~(20)~~ is arranged in the fluid container ~~(10)~~ in the region of the valve ~~means~~ ~~(18)~~, and wherein opening(s) ~~(23)~~ of the valve ~~means~~ ~~(18)~~ communicate(s) with said cavity ~~(20)~~.
3. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 2, wherein the cavity ~~(20)~~ is provided with at least one opening ~~(22)~~ communicating with the interior ~~(13)~~ of the container ~~(10)~~.
4. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 1, wherein said means ~~for reducing and/or preventing build-up of electrical and/or electrostatic potential~~ comprises a surface surrounding the valve ~~means~~ ~~(18)~~, against which surface the

fluid is intended to hit in order to change the direction of flow and/or the velocity of flow into a ~~more or less~~ substantially transverse direction of flow.

5. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 1, wherein the means ~~for reducing and/or preventing build-up of electrical and/or electrostatic potential~~ comprises nozzles or openings (23) which completely or partly pulverize the liquid flow.
6. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 5, wherein the openings or nozzles (23) form a turbulent flow out of said openings or nozzles (23).
7. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 5, wherein the nozzles or openings (23) produce a laminar flow out of said nozzles or openings (23).
8. (Currently Amended) Fluid container according to claim 1, further comprising an outer casing (14) and/or an inner container (13) made of an electrically conducting material or provided with elements or material making the casing (14) and/or the inner container (13) electrically conductive.
9. (Currently Amended) A method ~~Method~~ for preventing or reducing build-up of electrical and/or electrostatic potential during filling of a fluid in a container (10) at least partly made of a non-conductive material or semi-conducting material, the fluid being filled at a pressure into the container (10) through a valve integral to ~~means (18) arranged at~~ the upper end of the container (10) and wherein the valve ~~means (18)~~ is provided with a passage (21), wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the fluid is made to change direction of flow at least once at the upper end of the container (10), so that the flow into the container (10) ~~preferably to a largest possible degree~~ is depressurized and wherein the velocity of liquid flowing into the container (10) is reduced.
10. (Currently Amended) Method according to claim 9, wherein the direction of fluid flow at ~~[[the]]~~ an outlet of the valve ~~means (18)~~ is changed from an axial direction with respect to the valve ~~means~~ to a lateral direction, perpendicular on the said

axial direction, whereupon the direction of flow is then changed back to a flow in said axial direction.

11. (Currently Amended) A fluid container ~~(10)~~ for storage of fluids, wherein the fluid container ~~(10)~~ is made of thermoplastic materials and fibre composite materials having low electrical conductivity and wherein the fluid container, at ~~[[is]]~~ its upper end, is provided with a valve ~~means (18)~~ forming a part of the fluid container ~~(10)~~, through which fluid filling and discharging occur, and wherein the fluid container ~~(10)~~ is provided with means for hindering build-up of preventing electrostatic charge~~[[s]]~~ during filling operations, ~~characterized in that wherein the~~ valve comprises ~~means (18) is provided with~~ ducts and restriction means for reducing ~~and/or preventing~~ build-up of electrical and/or electrostatic potential on the interior wall of the container ~~(10)~~ during filling of the container ~~(10)~~, said ducts and restriction means ~~for reducing build-up~~ being arranged as an integral part of the valve and ~~means (18)~~; ~~said means~~ being configured to substantially reduce the fluid velocity and/or change the direction of the fluid flow during filling.